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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows.

- 1. (Currently Amended) <u>An internal Internal-ventilation</u> system of a rotating electric machine that consists of, <u>having</u>, within a housing, a fixed-mounted stator in the housing and a rotary-mounted rotor in the stator; the ventilation system contains at least comprising:
  - one ventilator integrated with the rotor which is capable of creating a cooling air stream within the housing,
  - air intake axial orifices (20) arranged in the housing, and
  - cooling air discharge ports arranged in said housing in a ring with respect to the periphery of the ventilator and separated from each other by fins (24)-stiffening the housing in the area of the radial ports (22),
  - wherein characterized in that the angle of inclination of the fins (24) in relation to the tangent perpendicular to the radial direction (R) is between 38° and 52°, and
  - wherein in that the radial ports (22) have an axial oriented section, called the axial orifice, that axially affects only the axial oriented ring and belongs to a cylindrical portion, and
  - wherein characterized in that the surface of the axial orifices represents at least 40% of the surface of the cylindrical section.
- 2. (Currently Amended) <u>The ventilation Ventilation</u> system in accordance with claim 1, wherein characterized in that the angle of inclination of the stiffening fins (24) is 45°.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The ventilation Ventilation system in accordance with one of claims 1 to 2, characterized in that claim 1, wherein the angular distance between the air discharge radial fins (24) is equal to F.360°/N, where in which N is the number of notches present in the stator and F is a multiplier coefficient.
- 4. (Currently Amended) <u>The ventilation Ventilation</u>-system in accordance with the preceding elaim, characterized in that claim 3, wherein the fins (24) are radially aligned with the grooves (32) of the stator.

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5. (Currently Amended) <u>The ventilation Ventilation</u>-system in accordance with claim 3, eharacterized in that wherein at least 70% of the fins (24) are radially aligned with the grooves (32) of the stator.

- 6. (Currently Amended) <u>The ventilation Ventilation</u> system in accordance with claim 3, <u>characterized in that wherein</u> the pitch of the fins (24) is a multiple of the pitch of the grooves (32) of the stator.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The ventilation Ventilation—system in accordance with claim 1, eharacterized in that wherein the part of the cord length (L) of the blades (18) of a ventilator (16) overlapping the axial orifices (20) of the housing must be less than or equal to one third.
- 8. (Currently Amended) An alternator for a vehicle having a Said-rotating electrical machine consisting of said-ventilation system in accordance with one of claims 1 to 7, is an alternator for an automobile.

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